HONORING ANDREW TINGWALL

HON. HARRY TEAGUE

OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 30, 2009

Mr. TEAGUE. Madam Speaker, today I would like to honor a very special New Mexican, Andrew Tingwall of the New Mexico State Police. Sergeant Tingwall served our country and my home state with distinction and honor for almost two decades, beginning with his tenure in the United States Marine Corps, where he was a Jump Qualified Reconnaissance Marine. Sergeant Tingwall then went on to join the New Mexico State Police, where he became the youngest pilot on the force. During his time with the State police he was named the 2008 Officer of the year by the New Mexico Sheriffs and Police Association for his lifesaving efforts of a man that had fallen into an arroyo in Albuquerque.

On several occasions, Sergeant Tingwall risked his own life to save others. He did so without any thought of personal gain. The only driving force for him was his mission to serve and protect and sadly that discipline cost him his life when Sergeant Tingwall flew his last mission earlier this year in an attempt to find lost hikers in the Sangre de Cristo Mountains. Andrew did all he could, but in the end, this mission was his last.

Throughout his career in public service he exemplified the attributes that make both the New Mexico State Police and the United States Marine Corps premier organizations that defend liberty and security of Americans and New Mexicans.

ENERGY

HON. BETSY MARKEY

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 30, 2009

Ms. MARKEY of Colorado. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to remind my colleagues to continue the dialogue on the American Clean Energy and Security Act over the August recess. I supported this legislation because I believe western states like Colorado stand to gain much from this energy bill. Renewable energy companies like Abound Solar and Vestas Wind Systems are already creating jobs and driving economic development in northern and eastern Colorado.

I believe the House-passed bill will help farmers and ranchers reap great benefits in America's renewable energy economy. I worked hard with my colleagues on the Agriculture Committee to ensure the concerns of America's farmers and ranchers were addressed. By developing cleaner energy here at home and using the vast domestic resources we currently have, we can work towards a less volatile energy market that will benefit us

I encourage all my colleagues in the House and the Senate to continue this important work.

HONORING THE MEMORY OF OSCAR OLCHYK

HON. ILEANA ROS-LEHTINEN

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, July 30, 2009

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Madam Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to honor the memory of one of my fellow South Florida constituents, Oscar Olchyk. Oscar passed away peacefully on Thursday, July 23 at the age of 82, surrounded by his loving family.

Oscar spent his life completely and wholeheartedly dedicating himself to his family, including his wife of 50 years, Marta, his children, Sonia and Samuel, his grandchildren, Abram and Ross, his brother Bernardo, and his sister Marv. He also held an immense devotion for his mother and father-in-law, his daughter-in-law, Debbie, and his brother-inlaw, Boris.

Born in Havana, Cuba in 1927, Oscar spent his first 33 years in Cuba, where he became a Certified Public Accountant and a Professor of Accounting at the University of Havana. It was also in Cuba where he met the love of his life, Marta, and where they were married and started a family together. Oscar and Marta, along with their son Samuel, fled Cuba for a new life in the United States after the Castro takeover.

Oscar spent most of his life in Dallas, Texas, where he continued to raise a family with his wife. In addition to his family, he devoted himself to pursuing a higher education, serving his community, and his accounting practice. Oscar and Marta spent the last decade enjoying their retirement in beautiful South Florida and near their family. They both had the opportunity to travel around the world and spend their 50th anniversary with their grandson, Abram.

My greatest sympathy goes to all of his loving family and friends whom he treasured so deeply throughout his life.

HONORING THE PUBLIC SERVICE AND COMMUNITY ACTIVISM OF MR. CLYDE MCINTOSH OF NORTH CAROLINA

HON. HEATH SHULER

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 30, 2009

Mr. SHULER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor an outstanding public servant and dedicated volunteer in Yancey County, North Carolina. Mr. Clyde McIntosh of Burnsville has dedicated his life to service and activism. After graduating from Burnsville High School in 1950, Mr. McIntosh proudly served four years in the United States Navy. Upon completion of his service, he moved back to the mountains of western North Carolina, where he built a successful real estate and development business and operated a dairy farm. During this period, he worked diligently toward the goal of preserving the rural heritage of the area.

Mr. McIntosh assumed public office when he was elected Sheriff of Yancey County in 1986. From 1999 to 2005, he served on the Board of Directors of the Yancey County Department of Social Services, spending a por-

tion of his tenure as Chair. For many years, Mr. McIntosh has been an active community volunteer for the Lions Club and Meals on Wheels.

Mr. McIntosh has worked for years to educate Yancey County youth on the importance of civic engagement and community involvement. He has acted as a mentor for the Young Democrats organization of Yancey County, encouraging young people to be politically active.

I commend his outstanding contributions to the Democratic Party. In April 2001, he was named Mountain Democrat of the Year and also served as Yancey County Democratic Party Chair throughout the years. He has served as Precinct Chair for both Jacks Creek and Burnsville Townships, and he is currently the Burnsville Township Chair.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Mr. Clyde McIntosh and recognizing his service to Yancey County, North Carolina.

BOB BARKER'S LIFELONG PASSION TO PROTECT ANIMALS

HON. C.W. BILL YOUNG

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 30, 2009

Mr. YOUNG of Florida. Madam Speaker, Bob Barker is a household name who is known nationally and internationally as the beloved host of the Price is Right. While he has retired from his career in television, he has redoubled his lifelong efforts to protect animals around the world.

I first met Bob Barker a number of years ago when he was here in the Capitol in support of legislation to stop the inhumane treatment of animals. We quickly became good friends and my wife Beverly and I have come to respect not only his commitment to animals but also his unwavering support for our men and women who serve in uniform.

Bob Barker is a great American with a very unique background. He grew up on the Rosebud Indian Reservation in South Dakota and was a Navy fighter pilot at the end of World War II.

Yesterday Beverly joined Bob Barker for a press conference about another case of the mistreatment of animals that was brought to his attention and which he has in turn called to the attention of our nation. Following my remarks. I would like to include for the benefit of my colleagues an Associated Press report about that event. While I wish I could have been there with Bob to show my support for his work and lifelong passion, I had to be here in the House as we debated the rule and began consideration of the Defense Appropriations Bill.

However, Madam Speaker, I wanted to commend Bob Barker for once again crisscrossing our nation in his continuing commitment to protect innocent animals that cannot protect themselves.

BOB BARKER ASKS CHEROKEES TO END NORTH CAROLINA BEAR PIT ATTRACTIONS

(From The Canadian Press, July 29, 2007)

ASHEVILLE, N.C.—Former game show host and longtime animal rights activist Bob Barker has made a personal appeal to the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians in North Carolina to stop exhibiting bears in pit-like enclosures at three local zoos.